

COMMANDER STEPHEN C. SHOEN, USN



Commander Steve Shoen is a native of Syracuse, New York and graduated from Albany University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics. Commissioned in 1983, he attended Surface Warfare Officer School in Coronado, California, followed by diving officer training at the Navy Diving and Salvage Training Center in Panama City, Florida.

His first sea assignment was Gunnery Officer on the USS MOUNT HOOD (AE 29) homeported in Concord, California. His second sea tour was aboard the submarine rescue ship USS PETREL (ASR 14) in Charleston, South Carolina

where he served as Operations Officer and Navigator. After a brief shore tour, he became Executive Officer aboard the USS AFFRAY (MSO 511), where he served in mine clearance operations in OPERATION DESERT STORM. Commander Shoen's most recent sea assignment was as Commanding Officer of the USS AVENGER (MCM 1) in Ingleside, Texas.

Commander Shoen's shore duty assignments include the Navy Diving and Salvage Training Center, Panama City, Florida as the Curriculum and Instructional Standards Officer. He served as the Combat Systems Engineer at Program Executive Office, Mine Warfare. In 1997, he earned a Master of Arts in Strategic Studies and Foreign Affairs from the Navy War College in Newport, Rhode Island.

Commander Shoen reported as Chief of Staff Officer of the Indian Head Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center in July 1999.

Commander Shoen has earned the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal with four gold stars (five awards), the Navy Achievement Medal with gold Star (2 awards), and various unit and campaign ribbons and medals.